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PATENT
Attorney Docket No. 07944.0005

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Paul FAETH) Group Art Unit: 3609
Application No.: 09/986,790) Examiner: Mohamed Hatem Ali
Filed: November 9, 2001)
For: METHODS, APPARATUS, AND) Confirmation No.: 5764
ARTICLES OF MANUFACTURE)
FOR MANAGING NUTRIENT)
TRADING)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

STATUS INQUIRY

According to our records, the above-identified application was filed over five years ago and applicant has not yet received an Office Action.

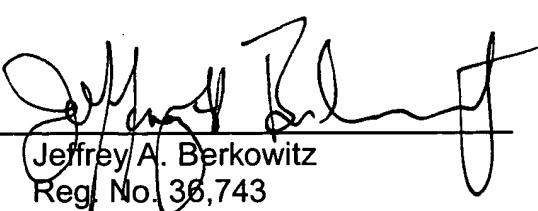
In view of these circumstances, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests that the Office advise him of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the applicant is required at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: December 12, 2006